

UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEFENSE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

SENATOR WARNOCK

Account	Line Number	Request Project Name	Committee Recommendation	Committee Recommendation (\$K)	Language
OMANG	011F	Savannah Combat Readiness Training Center	Program increase: Combat readiness training centers	\$3,500	
OMANG	011G	Savannah Combat Readiness Training Center	Program increase: Combat readiness training centers	\$1,200	
OMANG	011Z	Savannah Combat Readiness Training Center	Program increase: Combat readiness training centers	\$500	
NGPAF	10	Savannah Combat Readiness Training Center	Program increase: Combat readiness training centers	\$6,500	
RDAF	38	Advanced Battle Management System (ABMS)	Program increase: Advanced battle management system	\$10,000	
RDAF	20	Hypersonic Aircraft Rapid Prototyping and Mission Systems Integration	Program increase: Hypersonic aircraft rapid prototyping	\$30,000	
RDA	65	Small Unit Robotics	Program increase: Small unit ground robotic capabilities	\$7,000	
RDDW	20	Virtual Cyber Institutes	Program increase: Academic cyber institutes	\$10,000	
RDAF	29	Agile Factory Floor for Depot Sustainment	Program increase: Agile factory floor depot sustainment	\$5,300	
OPN	107	Diesel fuel outboard motor testing	Program increase: Diesel fuel outboard motor testing	\$2,000	
RDDW	200	IBAS Automated Textile Manufacturing	Program increase: Automated textile manufacturing	\$7,500	
OPA	148	Army High Mobility Engineer Excavator (HMEE)	Program increase	\$10,000	
OPAF	59	Civil Engineering Surveying Equipment	Program increase: Civil engineering survey equipment	\$11,000	
OMA		Army Tactical Athlete Program	Statement Language: Holistic Health and Fitness		Statement

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OMN	1D2D	Columbia Class Ballistic Missile Submarine Program	Support PB: Columbia Class Ballistic Missile Submarine Program	PB	
APAF	18	E-11 BACN Operations	Support President's Budget	PB	
APN	8	V-22 Osprey	Program increase: Five aircraft	\$500,000	
APAF	13	Combat Rescue Helicopter	Program increase: Ten additional aircraft	\$370,000	Statement
DHP	80	Peer-reviewed medical research	Robust funding: Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program	\$954,500	
RDDW	7	Historically Black Colleges and Universities/Minority Institutions	Program increase	\$50,000	
OMDW	4GT3	DoD STARBASE Program	Program increase: STARBASE	\$50,000	
OMA	132	Army Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization	Program increase: FSRM	\$587,000	
OMAF	011R	Air Force Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization	Program increase: FSRM	\$514,000	
OMN	BSM1	Navy Facilities Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization	Program increase: FSRM	\$446,000	
OMDW	4GTN	Procurement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP)	Program increase: Procurement Technical Assistance Program	\$23,918	
OMMC	BSM1	Marine Corps Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization	Program increase: FSRM	\$162,000	
OMARNG	132	National Guard Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization	Program increase: FSRM	\$132,000	
RDDW	89	Israeli Cooperative Programs	Israeli Missile Defense Cooperation Programs	PB	
APAF	49	C-130H T-56 3.5 Engine Modification	Program increase: C- 130H T-56 3.5 engine modification	\$37,800	
OMDW	4GTN	Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program	Support President's Budget	РВ	

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OMAF	042I	Civil Air Patrol Operations and Maintenance	Program increase	\$20,774	
APAF	15	Civil Air Patrol Aircraft Procurement	Program increase	\$8,648	
OPAF	3	Civil Air Patrol	Program increase: Civil Air Patrol	\$901	
OMDW	4GT3	National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program	Program increase: National Guard Youth Challenge	\$85,000	
DHP		Maternal mental health	PRMRP: Maternal mental health		Statement
OMDW		1033 and 1122 Programs Reform	Statement Language: Department of Defense Law Enforcement Support Program		Statement
OMDW	4GTJ	DoD Impact Aid	Program increase: Impact Aid	\$50,000	
APN	2	F-35 Lightning II	Program increase: 3 additional Marine Corps F-35C aircraft	\$313,600	
APN	4	F-35 Lightning II	Program increase: 3 additional Marine Corps F-35B aircraft	\$357,600	
OMA	335	Army JROTC STEM	Program increase: JROTC STEM training and education	\$1,500	
Title II	Mult.	PFAS Testing and Remediation	PFAS remediation, CDC water contamination study and assessment, and AFFF removal and disposal	\$326,800	Statement
OMAF	033E	Air Force JROTC STEM	Program increase: JROTC STEM training and education	\$1,500	
OMN	3C5L	Navy JROTC STEM	Program increase: JROTC STEM training and education	\$500	
OMMC	3C3F	Marine Corps JROTC STEM	Program increase: JROTC STEM training and education	\$500	
RDDW	6	National Defense Education Program	Program increase: World language advancement and readiness	\$10,000	
DHP		Burn Pit Research and Treatment	PRMRP: Burn pit exposure		Statement

^{*}Congressional increases are competitively awarded or provided to programs that have received competitive awards in the past.

Language

Holistic Health and Fitness.—The Army's Holistic Health and Fitness program represents an investment in performance readiness designed to improve soldier training. The Committee encourages the Secretary of the Army to expand the Holistic Health and Fitness program's current focus on musculoskeletal injuries and to broaden educational and research partnerships with Institutes of Higher Education in the areas of physical fitness, injury prevention, mental health, cognitive performance, and nutrition.

Truncation of Existing Production Programs.—The fiscal year 2023 President's budget request includes 10 Combat Rescue Helicopters [CRH], which is less than the 20 CRHs previously planned. Therefore, the Committee recommends an additional \$370,000,000 for 10 additional CRHs. It is concerning to the Committee that in the fiscal year 2023 President's budget submission, both the F- 15EX and CRH programs have been truncated across the Future Years Defense Program [FYDP] well below their stated acquisition objectives. The revised plan sees the F-15EX planned procurement objective reduced from 144 to 80 and the CRH procurement objective reduced from 113 to 75. Both of these programs are in the relatively early stages of production and provide modern capabilities. While the Committee understands that trade-offs occur to support force modernization, truncating programs that only recently transitioned into production and were hailed as supporting critical Air Force missions, such as personnel recovery and future tactical air, calls into question the strategic underpinning of these and other acquisition decisions. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, with submission of the fiscal year 2024 President's budget request that provides a list of all aircraft procurement programs that are being truncated across the FYDP, to include F-15EX and CRH. The report shall include an assessment of the operational impacts of the decision, cost avoidance, and rationale for truncation.

Peer-Reviewed Medical Research Program.—The Committee recommends \$370,000,000 for the Peer-Reviewed Medical Research Program. The Committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in conjunction with the Service Surgeons General, to select medical research projects of clear scientific merit and direct relevance to military health. Research areas considered under this funding are restricted to: Alzheimer's; Arthritis; Autism; botulinum toxin type A; burn pit exposure; burn outcomes; celiac disease; Duchenne muscular dystrophy, dystonia; eating disorders; Ehlers-Danlos syndrome; eczema; neuroinflammatory responses to emerging viral diseases; endometriosis; epidermolysis bullosa; familial hypercholesterolemia; fibrous dysplasia/McCune-Albright syndrome; focal segmental glomerulosclerosis; food allergies; Fragile X; frontotemporal degeneration; Guillain-Barre syndrome; gulf war illness; hemorrhage control; hepatitis B; hereditary ataxia; hydrocephalus; hypercholesterolemia; inflammatory bowel diseases; interstitial cystitis; lupus; malaria; lymphatic disease; lymphedema; maternal mental health; mitochondrial disease; multiple sclerosis; musculoskeletal disorders related to acute and chronic bone conditions and injuries; myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome; nephrotic syndrome; neuroactive steroids; neurofibromatosis; non-opioid therapy for pain management; orthopedics; pancreatitis; Parkinson's; peripheral neuropathy; polycystic kidney disease; pressure ulcers; proteomics; pulmonary fibrosis; reconstructive transplantation; respiratory health; rheumatoid arthritis; scleroderma; sickle-cell disease; sleep disorders and restriction; spinal cord; suicide prevention; tickborne diseases; trauma; tuberculosis; tuberous sclerosis complex; vision; and vascular malformations. The Committee emphasizes that the additional funding provided under the Peer-Reviewed Medical Research Program shall be devoted only to the purposes listed above.

Department of Defense Law Enforcement Support Program.—The Department of Defense's Law Enforcement Support Program, commonly referred to as the 1033 or LESO program, through which the Department transfers excess equipment to Federal, State, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies, can provide substantial support for law enforcement activities. The Committee notes that current law requires consultation about this program between the Secretary of Defense and the Attorney General, the Director of National Drug Control Policy, and the Secretary of Homeland Security, as appropriate.

The Committee directs the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to maintain public transparency and ensure that all program data is proactively published through the Law Enforcement Support Office website. This should include historic data on both items requested and all transferred items. The Committee further directs the Secretary of Defense to comply with the annual certification requirements under subsection (b) of 10 U.S. Code § 2576a.

Drinking Water Contamination.—The Committee remains concerned about the health implications of contaminated drinking water caused by per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances [PFAS]. Therefore, the Committee recommends an additional \$326,800,000 in the operation and maintenance and environmental restoration accounts. The Committee directs the Service Secretaries to provide a spend plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate for these additional funds not later than 90 days after the enactment of this act.

The Committee notes the considerable funding provided by the Congress in recent years for PFAS related remediation and cleanup activities. The Committee further notes the difficulty in defining clear health and environmental standards that will assist in defining the scope of the cleanup activities. However, the Committee is concerned that the Department of Defense is not adequately budgeting for PFAS remediation and aqueous film forming foam [AFFF] removal and disposal. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense and the Service Secretaries to include a separate budget justification report on PFAS remediation and AFFF removal and disposal activities in the operation and maintenance and environmental restoration accounts to the congressional defense committee no later than 30 days after the fiscal year 2024 President's budget request is delivered to Congress that includes an updated assessment of the entire funding requirement for those known costs.